

FOOD PURCHASE REPORT

United States
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Marketing
Service

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OFFER TO BUY: Fruit and Vegetable Products

The Department of Agriculture announced it is planning to purchase 35 fruit and vegetable products for donation to Needy Family and related domestic feeding programs, according to Robert C. Keeney, Deputy Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service.

The anticipated purchases will be made from offers that must be submitted on a delivered-to-destination price basis. Deliveries will be required from January 1, 2003 through March 31, 2003.

Products, container sizes, and approximate quantities sought are as follows:

Product	Container Size	U.S. Grade	No. of Cases
Apple Juice, Canned	12/46 fl. oz.	A	176,120
Grape Juice, Carton	12/46 fl. oz.	A	9,000
Grape Juice, Canned	12/46 fl. oz.	A	52,360
Tomato Juice, Canned	12/46 fl. oz.	A	42,840
Orange Juice, Canned	12/46 fl. oz.	A	177,072
Pineapple Juice, Canned	12/46 fl. oz.	A	45,120
Cranberry Apple Juice, Canned	12/46 fl. oz.	Per C.I.D.	94,248
Grapefruit Juice, Canned	12/46 fl. oz.	A	21,896
Applesauce, Canned	24/300	A	40,500
Sweet Potatoes, Canned	24/300	A	21,420
Spinach, Canned	24/300	A	12,920
Dry, Blackeye Beans	12/2 bags	No. 1	20,160
Dry Lima Beans	12/2 bags	No. 1	5,040

Product	Container Size	U.S. Grade	No. of Cases
Dry, Grt. Northern Beans	12/2 bags	No. 1	40,320
Dry, Pinto Beans	12/2 bags	No. 1	107,520
Dry, Lt. Red Kidney Beans	12/2 bags	No. 1	45,360
Green Beans, Canned	24/300	B	204,140
Corn Whole Kernel, Canned	24/300	B	188,660
Cream Style Corn, Canned	24/300	B	29,160
Peas, Canned	24/300	B	68,040
Pumpkin, Canned	24/300	A	4,860
Mixed Vegetables, Canned	24/300	Per C.I.D.	3,240
Vegetable Soup, Canned	24/1	Per C.I.D.	55,000
Tomato Soup, Canned	24/1	Per C.I.D.	30,800
Tomatoes, Canned	24/300	B	42,120
Tomato Sauce, Canned	24/300	A	53,550
Sliced Potatoes, Canned	24/300	A	73,440
Spaghetti Sauce, Canned	24/300	Per C.I.D.	119,880
Vegetarian Beans, Canned	24/300	A	38,250
Refried Beans, Canned	24/300	No. 2.	27,540
Dehydrated Potatoes	12/1 lb.	Per USDA	72,500
Syrup, Corn	12/24 oz.	Per USDA	11,616
Raisins	24/1 lb.	B	5,184
Carrots, Canned	24/300	A	85,860
Plums, Dried	24/1 lb.	B	3,000

PLEASE NOTE: This announcement does not commit USDA to purchase specific quantities or particular products. The quantities described in this FOOD PURCHASE REPORT are estimates and are intended to provide only general notice of USDA purchasing plans. Those plans are subject to change. Actual purchases will depend upon prices and quantities offered as well as possible

adjustments in user requirements.

Invitations to bid, including final details and specifications, will be faxed to processors. Offers to sell these products must be received not later than the date specified on the Invitation to Bid. **All bids must be submitted using the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES). Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive.**

Further information can be obtained from the Commodity Procurement Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. Room 2546 - South Building, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-4517 or our Internet Site: www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

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